



Using specified *MACCSKeys* property names and values hash, new method creates a new object and returns a reference to newly created *PathLengthFingerprints* object. By default, the following properties are initialized:

```
Molecule = '';
Type = '';
Size = ''
```

Examples:

```
$MACCSKeys = new MACCSKeys('Molecule' => $Molecule,
                           'Type' => 'MACCSKeyBits',
                           'Size' => 166);

$MACCSKeys = new MACCSKeys('Molecule' => $Molecule,
                           'Type' => 'MACCSKeyCount',
                           'Size' => 166);

$MACCSKeys = new MACCSKeys('Molecule' => $Molecule,
                           'Type' => 'MACCSKeyBit',
                           'Size' => 322);

$MACCSKeys = new MACCSKeys('Molecule' => $Molecule,
                           'Type' => 'MACCSKeyCount',
                           'Size' => 322);

$MACCSKeys->GenerateMACCSKeys();
print "$MACCSKeys\n";
```

GetDescription

```
$Description = $MACCSKeys->GetDescription();
```

Returns a string containing description of MACCS keys fingerprints.

GenerateMACCSKeys or GenerateFingerprints

```
$MACCSKeys = $MACCSKeys->GenerateMACCSKeys();
```

Generates MACCS keys fingerprints and returns *MACCSKeys*.

For *MACCSKeyBits* value of Type, a fingerprint bit-vector string containing zeros and ones is generated and for *MACCSKeyCount* value, a fingerprint vector string corresponding to number of MACCS keys is generated.

*MACCSKeyBits* or *MACCSKeyCount* values for Type option along with two possible 166 | 322 values of Size supports generation of four different types of MACCS keys fingerprint: *MACCS166KeyBits*, *MACCS166KeyCount*, *MACCS322KeyBits*, *MACCS322KeyCount*.

Definition of MACCS keys uses the following atom and bond symbols to define atom and bond environments:

Atom symbols for 166 keys [ Ref 47 ]:

```
A : Any valid periodic table element symbol
Q : Hetro atoms; any non-C or non-H atom
X : Halogens; F, Cl, Br, I
Z : Others; other than H, C, N, O, Si, P, S, F, Cl, Br, I
```

Atom symbols for 322 keys [ Ref 46 ]:

```
A : Any valid periodic table element symbol
Q : Hetro atoms; any non-C or non-H atom
X : Others; other than H, C, N, O, Si, P, S, F, Cl, Br, I
Z is neither defined nor used
```

Bond types:

```
- : Single
= : Double
T : Triple
# : Triple
~ : Single or double query bond
% : An aromatic query bond
```

None : Any bond type; no explicit bond specified

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$ : Ring bond; $ before a bond type specifies ring bond
! : Chain or non-ring bond; ! before a bond type specifies chain bond
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@ : A ring linkage and the number following it specifies the atoms position in the line, thus @1 means linked back to the first atom in the list.

Aromatic: Kekule or Arom5

Kekule: Bonds in 6-membered rings with alternate single/double bonds or perimeter bonds

Arom5: Bonds in 5-membered rings with two double bonds and a hetro atom at the apex of the ring.

MACCS 166 keys [ Ref 45-47 ] are defined as follows:

Key Description

1 ISOTOPE  
 2 103 < ATOMIC NO. < 256  
 3 GROUP IVA,VA,VIA PERIODS 4-6 (Ge...)  
 4 ACTINIDE  
 5 GROUP IIIB,IVB (Sc...)  
 6 LANTHANIDE  
 7 GROUP VB,VIB,VIIB (V...)  
 8 QAAA@1  
 9 GROUP VIII (Fe...)  
 10 GROUP IIA (ALKALINE EARTH)  
 11 4M RING  
 12 GROUP IB,IIB (Cu...)  
 13 ON(C)C  
 14 S-S  
 15 OC(O)O  
 16 QAA@1  
 17 CTC  
 18 GROUP IIIA (B...)  
 19 7M RING  
 20 SI  
 21 C=C(Q)Q  
 22 3M RING  
 23 NC(O)O  
 24 N-O  
 25 NC(N)N  
 26 C\$=C(\$A)\$A  
 27 I  
 28 QCH2Q  
 29 P  
 30 CQ(C)(C)A  
 31 QX  
 32 CSN  
 33 NS  
 34 CH2=A  
 35 GROUP IA (ALKALI METAL)  
 36 S HETEROCYCLE  
 37 NC(O)N  
 38 NC(C)N  
 39 OS(O)O  
 40 S-O  
 41 CTN  
 42 F  
 43 QHAQH  
 44 OTHER  
 45 C=CN  
 46 BR  
 47 SAN  
 48 OQ(O)O  
 49 CHARGE  
 50 C=C(C)C  
 51 CSO  
 52 NN  
 53 QHAAQH  
 54 QHAAQH  
 55 OSO  
 56 ON(O)C  
 57 O HETEROCYCLE  
 58 QSQ

59 Snot%A%A  
60 S=O  
61 AS(A)A  
62 A\$A!A\$A  
63 N=O  
64 A\$A!S  
65 C%N  
66 CC(C)(C)A  
67 QS  
68 QHQH (&...)  
69 QQH  
70 QNQ  
71 NO  
72 OAAO  
73 S=A  
74 CH3ACH3  
75 A!N\$A  
76 C=C(A)A  
77 NAN  
78 C=N  
79 NAAN  
80 NAAAN  
81 SA(A)A  
82 ACH2QH  
83 QAAAA@1  
84 NH2  
85 CN(C)C  
86 CH2QCH2  
87 X!A\$A  
88 S  
89 OAAAO  
90 QHAAACH2A  
91 QHAAACH2A  
92 OC(N)C  
93 QCH3  
94 QN  
95 NAAO  
96 5M RING  
97 NAAAO  
98 QAAAAA@1  
99 C=C  
100 ACH2N  
101 8M RING  
102 QO  
103 CL  
104 QHACH2A  
105 A\$A(\$A)\$A  
106 QA(Q)Q  
107 XA(A)A  
108 CH3AAACH2A  
109 ACH2O  
110 NCO  
111 NACH2A  
112 AA(A)(A)A  
113 Onot%A%A  
114 CH3CH2A  
115 CH3ACH2A  
116 CH3AACH2A  
117 NAO  
118 ACH2CH2A > 1  
119 N=A  
120 HETEROCYCLIC ATOM > 1 (&...)  
121 N HETEROCYCLE  
122 AN(A)A  
123 OCO  
124 QQ  
125 AROMATIC RING > 1  
126 A!O!A  
127 A\$A!O > 1 (&...)  
128 ACH2AAACH2A  
129 ACH2AACH2A  
130 QQ > 1 (&...)  
131 QH > 1

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132 OACH2A
133 A$A!N
134 X (HALOGEN)
135 Nnot%A%A
136 O=A > 1
137 HETEROCYCLE
138 QCH2A > 1 (&...)
139 OH
140 O > 3 (&...)
141 CH3 > 2 (&...)
142 N > 1
143 A$A!O
144 Anot%A%Anot%A
145 6M RING > 1
146 O > 2
147 ACH2CH2A
148 AQ(A)A
149 CH3 > 1
150 A!A$A!A
151 NH
152 OC(C)C
153 QCH2A
154 C=O
155 A!CH2!A
156 NA(A)A
157 C-O
158 C-N
159 O > 1
160 CH3
161 N
162 AROMATIC
163 6M RING
164 O
165 RING
166 FRAGMENTS

```

MACCS 322 keys set as defined in tables 1, 2 and 3 [ Ref 46 ] include:

- o 26 atom properties of type P, as listed in Table 1
- o 32 one-atom environments, as listed in Table 3
- o 264 atom-bond-atom combinations listed in Table 4

Total number of keys in three tables is : 322

Atom symbol, X, used for 322 keys [ Ref 46 ] doesn't refer to Halogens as it does for 166 keys. In order to keep the definition of 322 keys consistent with the published definitions, the symbol X is used to imply "others" atoms, but it's internally mapped to symbol X as defined for 166 keys during the generation of key values.

Atom properties-based keys (26):

Key	Description
1	A(AAA) or AA(A)A - atom with at least three neighbors
2	Q - heteroatom
3	Anot%not-A - atom involved in one or more multiple bonds, not aromatic
4	A(AAAA) or AA(A)(A)A - atom with at least four neighbors
5	A(QQ) or QA(Q) - atom with at least two heteroatom neighbors
6	A(QQQ) or QA(Q)Q - atom with at least three heteroatom neighbors
7	QH - heteroatom with at least one hydrogen attached
8	CH2(AA) or ACH2A - carbon with at least two single bonds and at least two hydrogens attached
9	CH3(A) or ACH3 - carbon with at least one single bond and at least three hydrogens attached
10	Halogen
11	A(-A-A-A) or A-A(-A)-A - atom has at least three single bonds
12	AAAAA@1 > 2 - atom is in at least two different six-membered rings
13	A(\$A\$A\$A) or A\$A(\$A)\$A - atom has more than two ring bonds
14	A\$A!A\$A - atom is at a ring/chain boundary. When a comparison is done with another atom the path passes through the chain bond.
15	Anot%A%Anot%A - atom is at an aromatic/nonaromatic boundary. When a comparison is done with another atom the path passes through the aromatic bond.
16	A!A!A - atom with more than one chain bond
17	A!A\$A!A - atom is at a ring/chain boundary. When a comparison is done with another atom the path passes through the ring bond.
18	A%Anot%A%A - atom is at an aromatic/nonaromatic boundary. When a

comparison is done with another atom the path passes through the nonaromatic bond.

19 HETEROCYCLE - atom is a heteroatom in a ring.

20 rare properties: atom with five or more neighbors, atom in four or more rings, or atom types other than H, C, N, O, S, F, Cl, Br, or I

21 rare properties: atom has a charge, is an isotope, has two or more multiple bonds, or has a triple bond.

22 N - nitrogen

23 S - sulfur

24 O - oxygen

25 A(AA)A(A)A(AA) - atom has two neighbors, each with three or more neighbors (including the central atom).

26 CHACH2 - atom has two hydrocarbon (CH2) neighbors

## Atomic environments properties-based keys (32):

Key	Description
27	C(CC)
28	C(CCC)
29	C(CN)
30	C(CCN)
31	C(NN)
32	C(NNC)
33	C(NNN)
34	C(CO)
35	C(CCO)
36	C(NO)
37	C(NCO)
38	C(NNO)
39	C(OO)
40	C(COO)
41	C(NOO)
42	C(OOO)
43	Q(CC)
44	Q(CCC)
45	Q(CN)
46	Q(CCN)
47	Q(NN)
48	Q(CNN)
49	Q(NNN)
50	Q(CO)
51	Q(CCO)
52	Q(NO)
53	Q(CNO)
54	Q(NNO)
55	Q(OO)
56	Q(COO)
57	Q(NOO)
58	Q(OOO)

Note: The first symbol is the central atom, with atoms bonded to the central atom listed in parentheses. Q is any non-C, non-H atom. If only two atoms are in parentheses, there is no implication concerning the other atoms bonded to the central atom.

## Atom-Bond-Atom properties-based keys: (264)

Key	Description
59	C-C
60	C-N
61	C-O
62	C-S
63	C-Cl
64	C-P
65	C-F
66	C-Br
67	C-Si
68	C-I
69	C-X
70	N-N
71	N-O
72	N-S
73	N-Cl
74	N-P

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75	N-F
76	N-Br
77	N-Si
78	N-I
79	N-X
80	O-O
81	O-S
82	O-Cl
83	O-P
84	O-F
85	O-Br
86	O-Si
87	O-I
88	O-X
89	S-S
90	S-Cl
91	S-P
92	S-F
93	S-Br
94	S-Si
95	S-I
96	S-X
97	Cl-Cl
98	Cl-P
99	Cl-F
100	Cl-Br
101	Cl-Si
102	Cl-I
103	Cl-X
104	P-P
105	P-F
106	P-Br
107	P-Si
108	P-I
109	P-X
110	F-F
111	F-Br
112	F-Si
113	F-I
114	F-X
115	Br-Br
116	Br-Si
117	Br-I
118	Br-X
119	Si-Si
120	Si-I
121	Si-X
122	I-I
123	I-X
124	X-X
125	C=C
126	C=N
127	C=O
128	C=S
129	C=Cl
130	C=P
131	C=F
132	C=Br
133	C=Si
134	C=I
135	C=X
136	N=N
137	N=O
138	N=S
139	N=Cl
140	N=P
141	N=F
142	N=Br
143	N=Si
144	N=I
145	N=X
146	O=O
147	O=S

148 O=Cl  
149 O=P  
150 O=F  
151 O=Br  
152 O=Si  
153 O=I  
154 O=X  
155 S=S  
156 S=Cl  
157 S=P  
158 S=F  
159 S=Br  
160 S=Si  
161 S=I  
162 S=X  
163 Cl=Cl  
164 Cl=P  
165 Cl=F  
166 Cl=Br  
167 Cl=Si  
168 Cl=I  
169 Cl=X  
170 P=P  
171 P=F  
172 P=Br  
173 P=Si  
174 P=I  
175 P=X  
176 F=F  
177 F=Br  
178 F=Si  
179 F=I  
180 F=X  
181 Br=Br  
182 Br=Si  
183 Br=I  
184 Br=X  
185 Si=Si  
186 Si=I  
187 Si=X  
188 I=I  
189 I=X  
190 X=X  
191 C#C  
192 C#N  
193 C#O  
194 C#S  
195 C#Cl  
196 C#P  
197 C#F  
198 C#Br  
199 C#Si  
200 C#I  
201 C#X  
202 N#N  
203 N#O  
204 N#S  
205 N#Cl  
206 N#P  
207 N#F  
208 N#Br  
209 N#Si  
210 N#I  
211 N#X  
212 O#O  
213 O#S  
214 O#Cl  
215 O#P  
216 O#F  
217 O#Br  
218 O#Si  
219 O#I  
220 O#X

221 S#S  
222 S#Cl  
223 S#P  
224 S#F  
225 S#Br  
226 S#Si  
227 S#I  
228 S#X  
229 Cl#Cl  
230 Cl#P  
231 Cl#F  
232 Cl#Br  
233 Cl#Si  
234 Cl#I  
235 Cl#X  
236 P#P  
237 P#F  
238 P#Br  
239 P#Si  
240 P#I  
241 P#X  
242 F#F  
243 F#Br  
244 F#Si  
245 F#I  
246 F#X  
247 Br#Br  
248 Br#Si  
249 Br#I  
250 Br#X  
251 Si#Si  
252 Si#I  
253 Si#X  
254 I#I  
255 I#X  
256 X#X  
257 C\$C  
258 C\$N  
259 C\$O  
260 C\$S  
261 C\$Cl  
262 C\$P  
263 C\$F  
264 C\$Br  
265 C\$Si  
266 C\$I  
267 C\$X  
268 N\$N  
269 N\$O  
270 N\$S  
271 N\$Cl  
272 N\$P  
273 N\$F  
274 N\$Br  
275 N\$Si  
276 N\$I  
277 N\$X  
278 O\$O  
279 O\$S  
280 O\$Cl  
281 O\$P  
282 O\$F  
283 O\$Br  
284 O\$Si  
285 O\$I  
286 O\$X  
287 S\$S  
288 S\$Cl  
289 S\$P  
290 S\$F  
291 S\$Br  
292 S\$Si  
293 S\$I

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294 S$X
295 Cl$Cl
296 Cl$P
297 Cl$F
298 Cl$Br
299 Cl$Si
300 Cl$I
301 Cl$X
302 P$P
303 P$F
304 P$Br
305 P$Si
306 P$I
307 P$X
308 F$F
309 F$Br
310 F$Si
311 F$I
312 F$X
313 Br$Br
314 Br$Si
315 Br$I
316 Br$X
317 Si$Si
318 Si$I
319 Si$X
320 I$I
321 I$X
322 X$X

```

**SetSize**

```
$MACCSKeys->SetSize($Size);
```

Sets size of MACCS keys and returns *MACCSKeys*. Possible values: *166* or *322*.

**SetType**

```
$MACCSKeys->SetType($Type);
```

Sets type of MACCS keys and returns *MACCSKeys*. Possible values: *MACCSKeysBits* or *MACCSKeysCount*.

**StringifyMACCSKeys**

```
$String = $MACCSKeys->StringifyMACCSKeys();
```

Returns a string containing information about *MACCSKeys* object.

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**SEE ALSO**

Fingerprints.pm, FingerprintsStringUtil.pm, AtomNeighborhoodsFingerprints.pm, AtomTypesFingerprints.pm, EStateIndicesFingerprints.pm, ExtendedConnectivityFingerprints.pm, PathLengthFingerprints.pm, TopologicalAtomPairsFingerprints.pm, TopologicalAtomTripletsFingerprints.pm, TopologicalAtomTorsionsFingerprints.pm, TopologicalPharmacophoreAtomPairsFingerprints.pm, TopologicalPharmacophoreAtomTripletsFingerprints.pm

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